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[1](#)B. STATE 116517

[1](#)1. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs called us in on July 6th to complain about the USG raising Burma at the UN Security Council on June 24th (ref A). An account of the Security Council intervention appeared in the embassy's "American News and Views" publication, produced daily by the Public Affairs Section and sent to, among others, many senior GOB officials.

[1](#)2. MOFA Deputy Director General for Political Affairs U Phae Thann Oo told us he "regretted very much" U.S. efforts to "push" a "purely internal" issue at the Security Council. He said this was not something that "friendly nations" did to each other. He lauded the Chinese and Russians, who clearly "understood the situation much better," for their vocal opposition to raising Burma in the UNSC. He urged the USG to be more patient with Burma's "Roadmap to Democracy" and try harder to realize that the GOB was trying its best "in its own way" to bring about national reconciliation.
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